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Foreign patent documents and non-patent literature are enclosed; cited U.S. patents and patent application publications will be provided on request. Copies of communications from foreign patent offices in applications that may be related are also enclosed.

According to the communication bearing **Desig. ID No. 10**, which is for a counterpart to U.S. Application No. 10/490,914, all the claims are held to be unpatentable. Claim 1 is said to be unpatentable over Document 1¹ in view of Document 15². However, there seems to be a typo, because the examiner discusses Document 15, and then makes the rejection of obviousness/lack in inventive step over the combination of Documents 1³ and 2⁴. The examiner then goes through dependent claims and indicates why they are also not patentable in view of Document 15⁵ (claims 2, 3, 5, 14, and 15), Document 18⁶ (claim 4), Document 16⁷ (claims 6-8), Document 17⁸ (claim 9), and Document 1⁹ (claims 10-13, 16, and 17).

¹ WO/0057515

² JP 2000-236201

³ WO/0057515

⁴ DE3135515

⁵ JP 2000-236201

⁶ US 4,573,168

⁷ JP 11-055156

⁸ US 5,815,804

⁹ WO/0057515

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